

City Hall Alexandria, Virginia

Alexandria Waterfront Committee Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities 1108 Jefferson Street Alexandria, Virginia 22314



February 28, 2011

Ms. Pat Miller, Chair Alexandria Commission for the Arts Durant Arts Center 1605 Cameron St Alexandria, VA 22314

Dear Ms. Miller:

This letter conveys the Alexandria Waterfront Committee's endorsement of the Torpedo Factory Art Center Target Gallery's proposed Nest Exhibition, a temporary outdoor installation of approximately 12 artist-created nests in the vicinity of the Alexandria City Marina this spring.

The Waterfront Committee supports cultural activities that enliven waterfront parks and plazas, and encourages public artworks in parks and other public and private spaces along the Waterfront. The proposed Nest Exhibition supports both of these objectives, and helps to further establish the City of Alexandria as a showplace for the arts.

At its meeting on February 15, 2011, the Waterfront Committee unanimously endorsed the Nest Exhibition Proposal. We look forward to experiencing this installation first-hand in the coming months, and hope it is the first of many Waterfront public art exhibitions over the coming years.

If we can provide any assistance with the implementation of this proposal, or should you have further questions regarding this matter, please contact me at 202-365-2927 (mobile) or <a href="matter-nate-weight-n

Sincerely,

Nathan M. Macek, Chair

Alexandria Waterfront Committee

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